SECTION 7. COOPERATION AND RESOURCE SHARING

Objective:

> **To cooperate with other libraries and agencies to increase the library's ability to meet its community's information needs.**
>
> By cooperating with other libraries and sharing resources, libraries can expand their resources and offer their customers access to the state's entire library and information network.

7.1   THE LIBRARY COOPERATES WITH ALL TYPES OF LIBRARIES TO EXTEND THE AVAILABILITY OF INFORMTION TO ALL RESIDENTS.

	Yes	No	Planned	Not Planned	N/A
The library develops its collections, programming, and services in cooperation with other local libraries to avoid unnecessary duplication of resources and services.					
The library meets at least annually with staff from other area libraries to plan cooperatively for meeting community information needs.					

7.2   THE LIBRARY WORKS COOPERATIVELY WITH OTHER COMMUNITY AGENCIES TO IMPROVE SERVICE.

	Yes	No	Planned	Not Planned	N/A
The library regularly meets with representatives of governmental agencies to identify areas of potential cooperation.					
The library meets regularly with representatives of community agencies and organizations to identify areas of potential cooperation and library service.					
The library encourages staff to participate in community-wide organizations that benefit the library.					
The library has planned or participated in cooperative activities or events with community agencies in the past year.					

7.3 THE LIBRARY CATALOGS ITS COLLECTION ACCORDING TO NATIONALLY ESTABLISHED BIBLIOGRPAHIC STANDARDS.

	Yes	No	Planned	Not Planned	N/A
The library uses Machine Readable Cataloging (MARC) records and AACRII cataloging rules to facilitate resource sharing.					
The library's automation system complies with Z39.50 protocol.					

Additional Resources
On
Cooperation & Resource Sharing

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